

### SCHOOL LEVY NOT SO GREAT

#### Eight-Mill Tax Decided Upon at a Meeting of Taxpayers Last Night.

#### REDUCTION IS THREE MILLS

#### Report of Clerk Ferguson Presented, Showing Reduction in Indebtedness of \$34,230.

A meeting of the taxpayers of school district No. 1 (the city of Astoria) was held at Shively school last night, when the levy for the year was fixed. The school board had carefully considered the matter and recommended to the taxpayers last night that the levy be \$ mills, on an assessed valuation of \$1,893,454. The recommendation of the board was adopted.

The levy fixed last night is 3 mills less than that of last year, when 11 mills were assessed on a total valuation of approximately \$1,600,000. This year's levy will net \$14,467.53, whereas last year's tax brought in about \$17,000.

The report of School Clerk Ferguson for the past year was presented to the taxpayers. The report makes the following showing:

Receipts—

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1903	\$ 371 57
Received from county treasurer, 8-mill levy	12,614 80
Received from county treasurer, 3-mill levy	4,710 50
Received from tax redemptions	758 36
Received from county superintendent, state apportionment	9,551 98
Received from tuitions	178 00
Received from insurance	25 00
Received from sale of bonds to state	42,000 00
Received from bills payable, local banks	3,000 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>475,038 22</b>

Expenditures—

Supplies	\$ 908 94
Repairs	1,294 49
Expenses	452 49
Wood	720 24
Elections	13 50
Water	310 00
Taylor school	105 11
Material	40 00
Janitor's salaries	2,017 50
Clerk's salaries	650 00
Teacher's salaries	17,101 25
Bond interest	4,533 14
Paid off bonds	46,000 00
Bills payable	3,000 00
Paid warrants outstanding December 31, 1903	177 81
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$77,551 47</b>

Less warrants outstanding December 31, 1903 107 25

Balance \$77,444 22

Cash on hand—\$594.

The following statement shows that the indebtedness of the district has been materially decreased during the year:

Floating debt Dec. 31, 1902	\$ 230 99
Bonded debt Dec. 31, 1902	75,000 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$75,230 99</b>
Bonded debt Dec. 31, 1903	71,000 00
<b>Reduction</b>	<b>\$ 4,230 99</b>

### CITY COUNCIL DECREES THEATERS STAY CLOSED

Chicago, Jan. 14.—From action taken tonight by the city council at a special meeting, it is evident that Chicago theaters will not be able to re-open for some time. The meeting of the council was for the purpose of considering a revision of the building ordinances, and it was generally expected that the proposed amendment would be considered and adopted, and that the proprietors of the theaters would know what would be expected of them, and would be able to begin alterations at once. There has been much adverse criticism

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of the proposed changes in the building ordinances. When the measure was called up tonight, Alderman Mavor moved that consideration be deferred that all proposed amendments be published, and the whole subject be taken up when the council was conversant with proposed changes. The motion was passed, and all consideration of the new ordinances was postponed "until the council is ready."

#### They Will Go to World's Fair.

Board & Stokes' hall was crowded to the doors last night, the occasion being the grand ball given by Herman Wise, the ever popular merchant, to his many customers. While the chief feature of the night was the presentation of four tickets to the world's fair to the lucky ones, a good time was provided for all, not a moment being spent that was not crowded with gaiety. Excellent music was furnished by the Eagle's orchestra and the floor was in perfect condition for good dancing. The judges for the drawing of the tickets were: John E. Gratke, J. G. Ross, Jens H. Hansen, Alfred Kraus, Chas. Verschusen, Chas. H. Proske and Leander Lebeck. The winners, together with the lucky numbers follow: Arthur Peterson, of the Occident barber shop, 254; E. Edwards, 1571 Harrison ave., 1498; Chas. Wise, proprietor Waldorf, 1527; J. C. Miller, 204. The Misses Della, and Messrs. Fred Brown and F. Deventy contested for a prize at cake-walking, and the exhibition of the two couples was of such an excellent nature that no preference could be shown so they were all accorded equal honors. The prizes were silk umbrellas. Mrs. J. C. Lidwell was awarded three fine silk handkerchiefs for being the tallest lady in the house, while J. G. Richardson was given a fine sweater for the same reason. Miss Della was shorter than any other lady in the house, and was presented with a silk muffler therefor, and Erick Johnson was punished for his brevity with six pairs of woolen socks. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jones proved themselves to be the best waltzers on the floor, Mrs. Jones receiving a fine muffler and her husband a pair of silk suspenders. Mr. Wise will give another drawing of four tickets to St. Louis and return in the middle of July.

### TO THE PUBLIC.

The attention of the public is called to the following rules and regulations of the state board of health:

Rule 15—No person shall be admitted into any school or Sunday school room any house or building in which has recently occurred a case of dangerous communicable disease, without first presenting a certificate, signed by a reputable physician, that all danger of communicating such disease is past.

Rule 16—N parent, guardian, or other person having charge or control of any child or children shall allow or permit any child or children to go from any house or building in which a case of smallpox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, measles, whooping cough, or other contagious disease has recently occurred until such house or building has been properly disinfected, and quarantine has been removed by the health officer.

Rule 17—It shall be the duty of every physician called to attend a person sick, or suspected of being sick, or in the absence of a physician, every household, wherein such sickness is found, to report within 24 hours thereafter, giving the name and residence of all cases of smallpox, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever, measles, or any other contagious disease, to the county health officer, or other health officer who has jurisdiction in the territory.

Rule 18—(In part)—It shall be the duty of the health officer, when a case of smallpox, yellow fever, diphtheria, membranous croup, scarlet fever or measles is reported within its jurisdiction, to place, or cause to be placed, in a conspicuous place a quarantine card upon which is printed in large letters the name of the disease or the word "contagious."

Section 10 of the state board of health laws is as follows:

"Any person who shall fail to obey or shall violate such order, shall, on conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$100, at the discretion of the court."

These rules will be very strictly enforced.

Geo. W. Morton, Chairman Board of Health.

R. J. Pilkington, City Health Officer.

Astoria, Jan. 8, 1904.

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### DENOUNCED AND UPHELD

#### Nevada Senator Says President's Course Anent Panama Sounds Note of War.

### PATRIOTIC ANNOUNCE DEPEW

#### House Passes Legislative and Judiciary Bill Appropriating \$30,000,000, Second Big One.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The senate today listened to speeches by Newlands on the Panama question, and Latimer, advocating the adoption of a plan for improvement of the public wagon roads of the country. Newlands declared that the course of the president in Panama, was an act of war and in contravention of the treaty of 1846 of International law, and of the constitution of the United States. Dewey praised the president's policy as patriotic, justified by precedent and law. Consideration of the postoffice investigation resolution was postponed until next Mon.

Washington, Jan. 14.—The house today passed the legislative executive and judicial appropriation bill carrying an aggregate of nearly \$30,000,000, and adjourned until Monday. This is the second big supply measure to pass the house.

The house today refused to sustain the action of the committee as a whole which yesterday adopted an amendment striking out the paragraph providing for salaries and expenses of the civil service commission.

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6:10 p m	Way Points	10:30 p m
SEASIDE DIVISION		
8:15 a m	Astoria for Warrenton, Flavel, Stevens, Hammond and Seaside	7:40 a m
11:35 a m	ton, Flavel, Stevens, Hammond and Seaside	4:00 p m
5:50 p m	Hammond, Stevens & Astoria	10:45 a m
6:15 a m	Seaside for Warrenton, Flavel, Hammond, Fort Stevens & Astoria	12:50 p m
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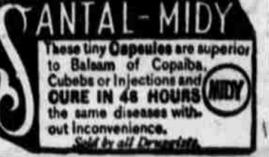
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